

**ABSTRACT**

**WA-I-417**

**19th Century**

**Log House with Exterior Chimneys**

**Hagerstown Vicinity**

**private**

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-I-417  
District 10  
Map 41  
Parcel 80  
MAGI # 2206415904

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Log House with Exterior Chimneys

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

East of Route 65, north of Oak Ridge Drive

CITY, TOWN

☒ VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH  
**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**  
☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED  
☒ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☐ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE  
☐ COMMERCIAL  
☐ EDUCATIONAL  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT  
☐ GOVERNMENT  
☐ INDUSTRIAL  
☐ MILITARY  
☐ MUSEUM  
☐ PARK  
☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☒ OTHER **House not in Use.****4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

D.R. Sprecher &amp;. C. D. Taylor C/O Mrs. W. W. Taylor Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route # 2

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

21795

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 122

Folio #: 343

STREET &amp; NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland

21740

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

WA-I-917

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located at the end of a long private lane which extends in an easterly direction from Maryland Route 65, the Sharpsburg Pike south of Hagerstown in Washington County. It is situated on an area of level ground east of the B. & O. Railroad tracks and faces east.

The house being discussed here is part of a late 19th or early 20th century farmstead although it appears much older and is therefore being singled out in the description. It is a one story four bay log house sheathed with German siding. A deep overhanging porch extends along the entire front elevation. The structure rests on low fieldstone foundations.

Windows have six over six pane double hung sashes. Two front doors are centered side by side in the east elevation. The most notable feature of the house is its chimney arrangement consisting of exterior stone flues extending from ground level to just above the girt log where they are finished with brick. These chimneys are located against each end wall. The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and terminates with barge boards set directly against the walls.

Just north of this house is a one story stone secondary building with an inside end chimney.

The farm contains 122.78 acres.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 122. 78 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

**Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant**

ORGANIZATION

**Washington County Historical Sites Survey**

DATE

**December 1977**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street**

TELEPHONE

**791-3065**

CITY OR TOWN

**Hagerstown**

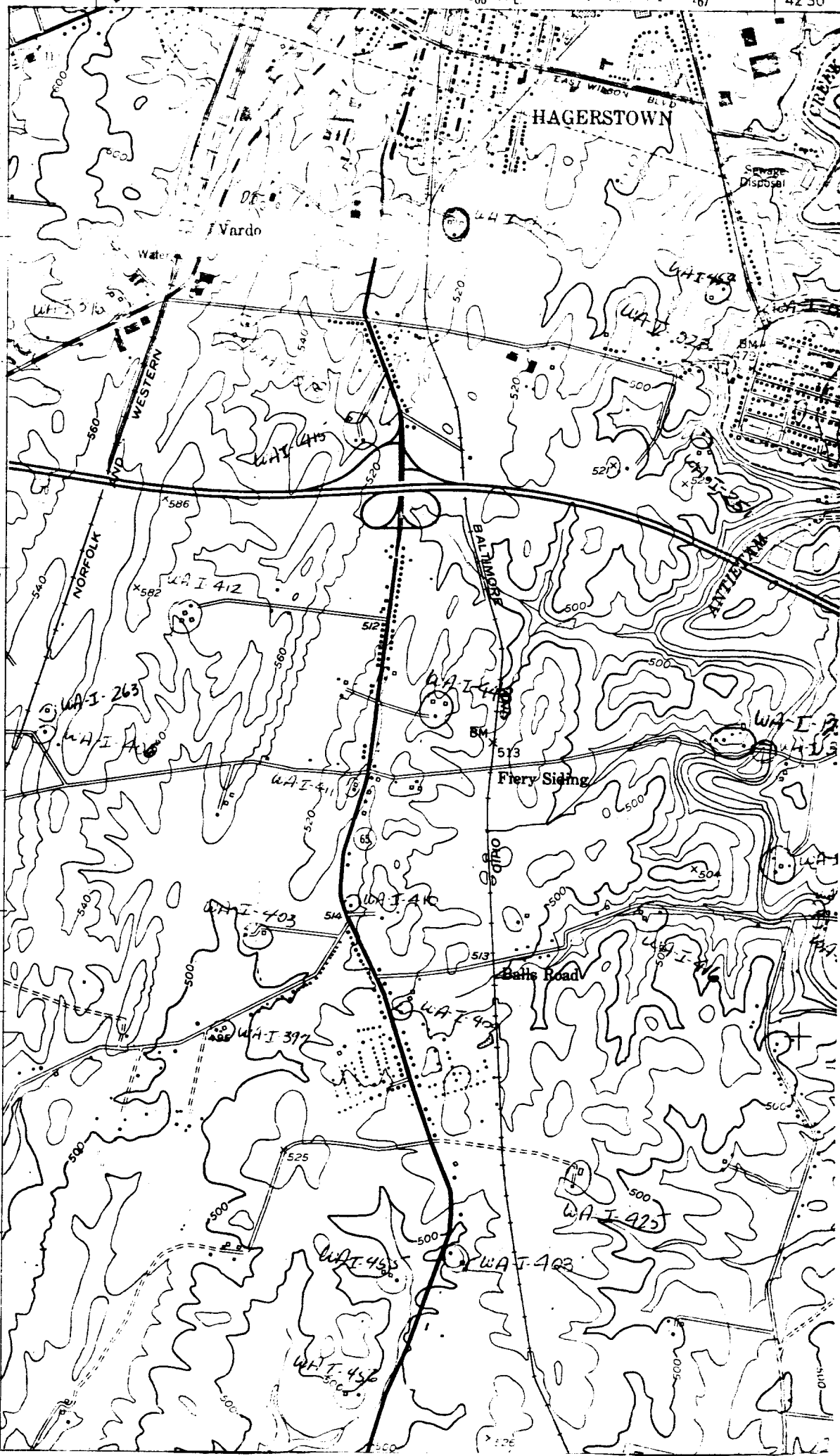
STATE

**Maryland 21740**

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



*Handwritten notes:*  
Lumber  
yard

WAI-I-417

WAI-I-407

35'

4384

1 MI  
1/4 MI



W. T. D. 1877

S.

Apr. 1878

Log House with exterior chimney  
East of Route 65, north of one Ridge Dr.  
Hagerstown

PAULA STONER DICKEY  
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